

REMARKS

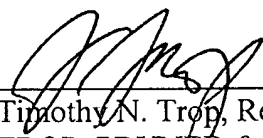
The objection set forth under Section 101 to claim 12 has been cured by the present amendment.

With respect to the prior art rejections, the points raised in the Appeal Brief are maintained and reiterated here.

In view of these remarks, reconsideration of the Section 101 rejection is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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